

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Application Ranking Summary

WHIP General FA 07

Program:	Ranking Date:	Application Number:
Ranking Tool: WHIP General FA 07		Applicant:
Final Ranking Score:		Address:
Planner:	Telephone:	
Farm Location:		

National Priorities Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Will the treatment you intend to implement using WHIP result in the restoration of declining or important native wildlife habitats?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. Will the treatment you intend to implement using WHIP result in the protection, restoration, development or enhancement of wildlife habitat for at-risk species which can include candidate species and State listed threatened and endangered species?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. Will the treatment you intend to implement using WHIP result in the protection, restoration, development or enhancement of wildlife habitat for Federally listed threatened and endangered wildlife species?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. Will the treatment you intend to implement using WHIP result in the reduction of invasive species on wildlife habitats?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. Will the treatment you intend to implement using WHIP result in the protection, restoration, development or enhancement of declining or important aquatic wildlife species' habitats?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

State Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Do all the forested acres in this application contain a basal area of less than 50 square feet or are all the forested acres going to be thinned to a basal area of less than 50 square feet during the life of the proposed contract?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. Does the management of the land identified in this application encourage the sustainability of a natural predator /prey balance which promotes diverse wildlife habitat and species richness typically found in South Carolina?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. Does this application contain practices that address the control or eradication of invasive plant species as identified on the list of "Major Invasive Species of Concern in South Carolina" found on the EFOTG, Section I, General Resources, Section C, Reference List?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. Does this application contain at least one (1) practice that directly benefits threatened and endangered or at-risk wildlife species (plant or animal) as identified by NRCS, South Carolina DNR, the US Fish and Wildlife Service or NOAA Fisheries?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. Does this application contain practices that exclude cattle or other livestock from environmentally sensitive areas, such as; wetlands, streams and riparian stream buffers, etc.?(Mark no if no livestock are present)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. Does the SC Wildlife Habitat Index for this application reflect a habitat net effect benefit of greater than .50? (Planned index value – Existing index value)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. Does the SC Wildlife Habitat Index for this application reflect a habitat net effect benefit between .25 - .50? (Planned index value – Existing index value)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
8. Does the SC Wildlife Habitat Index for this application reflect a habitat net effect benefit between .01 - .24? (Planned index value – Existing index value)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

Local Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Does this application contain at least one (1) conservation practice that directly benefits federally listed threatened and endangered fish, wildlife or plant species? (Must be verified by an NRCS, DNR, NOAA or USFWS biologist.)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. Will this application improve quail or other at-risk species habitat by promoting early successional habitat	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

through the application of rotational disking, and/or planting native warm season grasses, and/or the application of prescribed burning?	
3. Are all of the forested pine acres in this application at or planned to be at a basal area of less than 50 square feet, includes prescribed burning on a 2 -3 year rotation, and contains managed forest openings .5 to 2 acres in size spaced less than 500 feet apart?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. Does this application address the installation of conservation practices that provide a buffer at least 50 feet wide immediately adjacent to a wetland, water body, stream or other sensitive areas?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. Does this application include the installation of conservation practices that enhance wildlife habitat on 2 or more land types (cropland, forestland, pastureland, hayland, wildlife, etc)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. Does this application include the installation of 4 or more cost shared conservation practices that enhance wildlife habitat?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. If approved for WHIP, will this be the first cost shared funding received to implement wildlife habitat improvement practices in the last 2 years?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

Land Use:

Resource Concerns	Practices
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Ranking Score

Efficiency: Local Issues: State Issues: National Issues: Final Ranking Score:
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This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

NRCS Designated Conservationist:	Applicant Signature Required for Contract Development:
Signature Date:	Signature Date: